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ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Jennifer Burdick (appointed by Governor) 333-1715
OPERATIONS Louis Martin, Deputy Director 333-1711
CASE PROCESSING DEPARTMENT
DIVISION I Robert Barnes, <i>Manager</i> 333-4621
INTAKE UNIT Charles Harvey, Supervisor 333-1718
SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT J. Neil Bell, Supervisor 333-1772
FIELD OFFICES Jean Ford, Supervisor 333-1758
DIVISION II Carolyn Jasmin, <i>Manager</i> 333-4608
INVESTIGATIONS UNIT I Jonathan Riddix, Supervisor . 333-1740
INVESTIGATIONS UNIT II Pamela Jenkins-Dobson, Supervisor
333-1724
INVESTIGATIONS UNIT III Carol Maulsby, Supervisor 333-2789
INVESTIGATIONS UNIT IV Ruth Banks-Crowder, Supervisor
OFFICE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS Vacancy, Manager
ADMINISTRATION Benny F. Short, Assistant Director 333-1710
FISCAL SERVICES Blanche M. Shoul, <i>Manager</i> 333-1712
PERSONNEL SERVICES Laura Adams, Manager 333-1716
DATA MANAGEMENT

The Human Relations Commission originated in 1927 as the Interracial Commission (Chapter 559, Acts of 1927). In 1943, it was reorganized as the Commission to Study Problems Affecting the Colored Population (Chapter 431, Acts of 1943). Renamed in 1951 as the Commission on Interracial Problems and Relations (Chapter 548, Acts of 1951), it became the Human Relations Commission in 1969 (Chapter 83, Acts of 1968).

LEGAL DEPARTMENT

John Nicholson, Manager 333-2431

Michael L. Foreman, General Counsel . 333-1752

The Commission's goal is to eliminate discrimination based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, marital status, physical or mental handicap, and age.

The Commission administers and enforces the Maryland Public Accommodations Law, Discrimination in Housing Law, and the Fair Employment Practices Law. It also initiates and investigates complaints of discrimination in State agencies. The Commission is authorized to conduct public hearings, administer oaths, and issue subpoenas. It also compels attendance or testimony of witnesses and oversees exhibits of books, papers, records, and documents relevant or necessary for proceeding under these laws. In addition to other relief, the Commission can issue a cease and desist order if evidence shows that a respondent has engaged in a discriminatory act. In cases of employment discrimination, it may award back pay of up to two years' duration.

The Commission studies human relations, conditions, and problems to improve human and community relations. The agency also submits legislative proposals to the Governor, and oversees compliance with the Code of Fair Practices, promulgated by the Governor.

The Commission's work on behalf of fair employment practices is supplemented by a deferral relationship and funding from the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. Similarly, the Commission's efforts in fair housing are funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development as provided by cooperative agreements which fund case processing as well as community education.

The Commission consists of nine members appointed to six-year terms by the Governor with Senate advice and consent. The Governor also appoints the Executive Director (Code 1957, Art. 49B).

STATE COMMISSION ON INFANT MORTALITY PREVENTION

Appointed by Governor: not yet appointed

Ex officio: Nancy S. Grasmick, Ph.D., Acting Special Secretary for Children, Youth, & Families; Nelson J. Sabatini, Secretary of Health & Mental Hygiene; Carolyn W. Colvin, Secretary of Human Resources; Bronwyn Mayden, Executive Director, Governor's Council on Adolescent Pregnancy.

Vacancy, Director

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The State Commission on Infant Mortality Prevention was created in 1991 (Senate Bill 615, Acts of 1991). The purpose of the Commission is to reduce infant mortality in Maryland.

The Commission is to establish a perinatal system for maternal and infant health care by regions in the State; formulate policies and strategies to increase the availability of skilled providers of health